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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Barry HAND et al. )  
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Application No.: 09/982,528 ) Group Art Unit: 3637  
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For: MEDICAL SERVICING SYSTEM )

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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In an election/restriction requirement dated July 28, 2003, the Examiner required a restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I, directed to claims 1-28, 30, 40, 43-47, and 49-52; Group II, directed to claims 29, 31-39, 41, and 42; and Group III, directed to claims 48, 53, and 54. Applicants elect Group I and therefore request examination of claims 1-28, 30, 40, 43-47, and 49-52.

Please grant any further extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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